

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraph [0026] with the following amended paragraph:

[0026] In the exemplary embodiment of Fig. 4, the throttle device 42 comprises a valve body 82, which includes a valve dome 84 that protrudes into the interior of the damping unit 14 and a valve flange 86 extending all the way around and formed onto the valve dome 84. With this valve flange 86, the valve body 82 is retained in the interior of the tubular body 60 and closes off the tubular body from the outside. An annular support body 47 which surrounds the valve dome 84 is located on the inside of the valve flange 86 and is braced with its end face against the elastomer core 70. The support body is provided with continuous longitudinal slits on its circumference.

Please replace paragraph [0028] with the following amended paragraph:

[0028] As already explained, this pressure limiting valve 80 is connected parallel to the throttle bore 43, and this bore, in the present exemplary embodiment, is located for instance on the circumferential surface of the valve dome 84 and discharges radially into the chamber formed by the recess 85. An inflow to the throttle bore 43 is effected through the inlet 28 in the tubular body 60 and an annular gap 100 that exists between the outer circumference of the valve dome 84 and the inner circumference of the support body 47; this annular gap 100 is axially defined by a widening 102 of the diameter of the valve dome 84 in the region of the valve flange 86. It is understood that in this exemplary embodiment as well, a plurality of such throttles 43 may be provided to adapt the throttle device 42 described to a given use. The throttle bores 43 need not necessarily be disposed in the region of the valve dome 84; instead, they can for instance be disposed in the region of the valve flange 86, or on the end face of the valve dome 84 that has the valve seat 90.